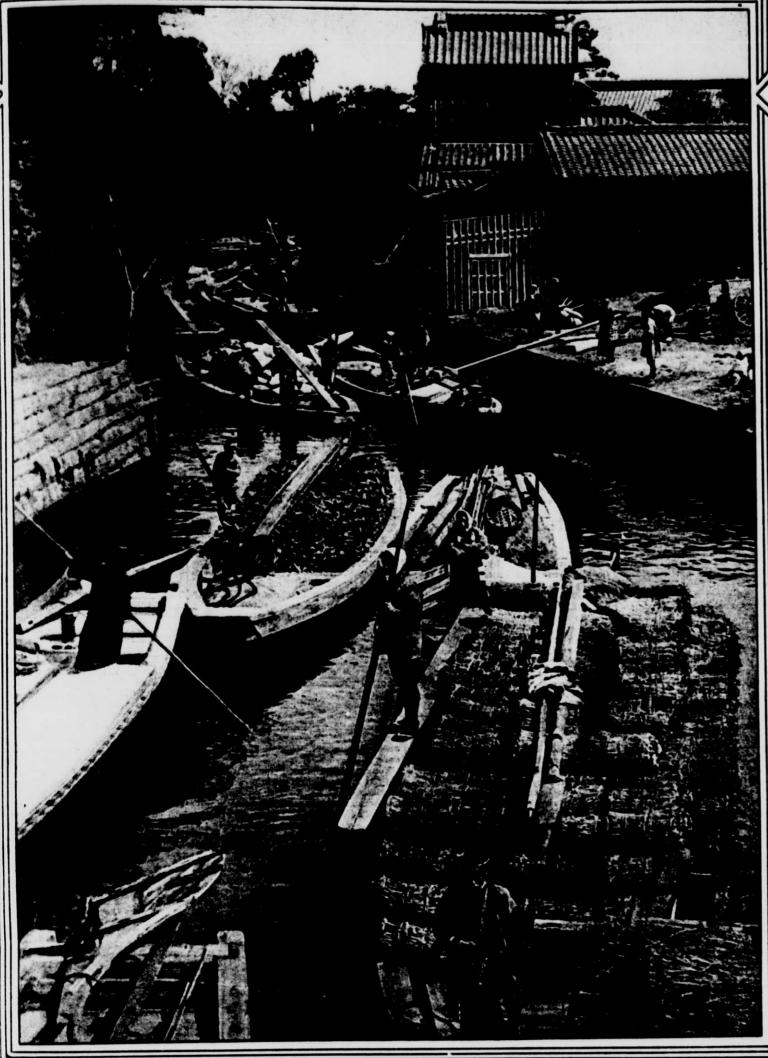
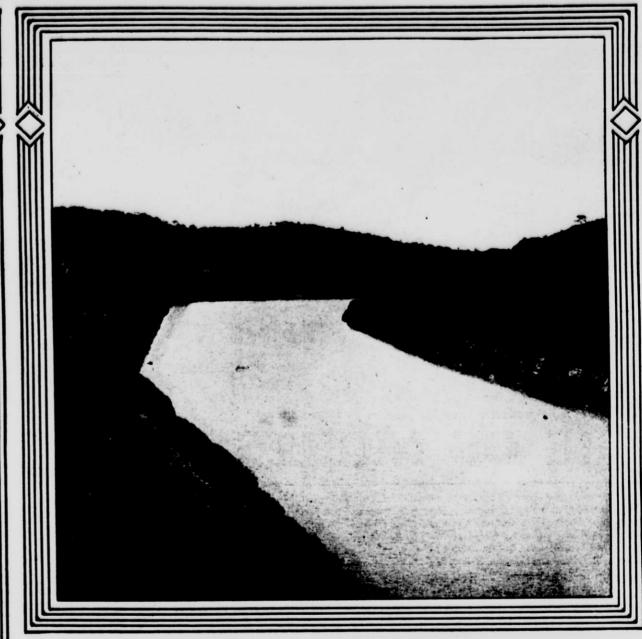
CULEBRA'S BIG CUT AND OTHER FAMOUS CANALS





CULEBRA CUT OF THE PANAMA CANAL FLOODED—This picture shows how the Culebra cut will appear to passengers on steamships passing through the Panama Canal. It was taken after water was let into the cut through the blowing up of Gamboa dike. When the flooding is completed the water will be fifteen feet higher. The cut is seen from Empire, looking north to the sharpest curve in the canal.

NORWAY'S MOUNTAIN CLIMBING CANAL—Norway has one of the strangest waterways in the world, the Bandak Nordsjo Canal. It is a mountain climbing canal, and a trip through it is one of the experiences tourists seek in Norway. At one moment it may be ascending a gorge, as in the picture, where it is climbing a hill beside Vrang waterfall, and the next it may be passing through a forest.

THIBA CANAL, TOKIO, JAPAN—Japan, like China, recognized the advantages of water transportation at an early period in her history, and some of her canals date back centuries. The craft that ply the Japanese canals are mostly small and are poled along by man power. Nevertheless considerable quantities of products of all kind are transported on waterways like the Thiba Canal at Tokio.

BEGINNING OF SUEZ CANAL AT PORT SAID—The Suez Canal is the most famous of the world's artificial waterways because it forms the channel of communication between Europe and the Far East. A constant procession of great ocean steamships is passing through it in both directions. But while it is of tremendous value to commerce it is not particularly picturesque.

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